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Letter dated 15 May 2000 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have been instructed by my Government to lodge the strongest protest at the impoundment by the German members of the Kosovo Force (KFOR) of cameras, cassettes and other equipment of a Belgrade radio-television team at the exit of the town of Orahovac, Kosovo and Metohija, the autonomous province of the Yugoslav constituent Republic of Serbia, on 10 May 2000. On that occasion, reporter Borivoje Uskokovic and the cameramen of the team were harassed and their luggage and automobiles were searched. Their accreditation cards, issued by the KFOR press service in Pristina, were taken away from them and they were ordered to leave the German sector immediately and for good. The German members of KFOR pointed out that they had acted on orders. Upon leaving Orahovac, the team was given back only their cameras.

The behaviour of KFOR provides telling evidence of the drastic discrimination of the members of the international force in Kosovo and Metohija under United Nations auspices against Serbs. It is aimed at concealing the well-controlled concentration camp in which the Serbs of Orahovac have lived ever since the arrival of KFOR and the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo in Kosovo and Metohija, exposed to terror and violence of the terrorist so-called Kosovo Liberation Army. Hardly a day passes by without the killing of a Serb or the burning of a Serbian home in the presence of KFOR.

The Government of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia requests that responsibility be established for the said incident and that appropriate measures be taken to prevent the abuse of the international force in Kosovo and Metohija under United Nations auspices for the cover-up of the ethnic cleansing, terrorism and the violation of basic human rights in this Serbian province.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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